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SUBJECT: DISCUSSION WITH VICE PRESIDENT RE KOREA AND PUERTO
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1. VICE PRESIDENT RECEIVED CHARGE AUG. 11, DAY BEFORE HE DEPARTED
BANJUL TO REPRESENT GAMBIA AT NAM SUMMIT. CAMARA CONFIRMED
GOTG POLICY THAT NAM INVOLVEMENT IN RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN US
AND PUERTO RICO WOULD CONSTITUTE UNWARRANTED INTERFERENCE
IN US INTERNAL AFFAIRS.

2. REGARDING KOREA, VICE PRESIDENT WAS LESS SPECIFIC ABOUT
GAMBIAN POLICY. HE SAID ARMISTICE MUST NOT BE VOIDED IN ABSENCE
ADEQUATE LEGAL FRAMEWORK TO PRESERVE CEASE FIRE AND STATUS QUO
BETWEEN TWO KOREAS.

GOTG DOES NOT FAVOR ABOLITION UN COMMAND IN ABSENCE NEW SAFE-
GUARD AGREEMENT. ON BROADER QUESTION, INTER-KOREAN RELATIONS,
CAMARA SAID BOTH SIDES SHOULD ACCEPT REALITY OF THEIR DIVISION
FOR FORESEEABLE FUTURE.

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3. VICE PRESIDENT ADMITTED NAM POSITION ON KOREA HAS BEEN HEAVILY ALIGNED IN FAVOR NORTH, REFLECTING DOMINANT HAND OF "REVOLUTIONARIES" IN NACC. HE SAID NORTH KOREANS RECENTLY LOBBIED GOTG TO SUPPORT ENLARGEMENT 17-COUNTRY NACC AT COLOMBO SUMMIT. CAMARA SEES THIS AS PLOY TO PLACE PYONGYANG ON GOVERNING COMMITTEE. NONETHELESS, HE SAID, GAMBIA WILL SUPPORT AUGMENTED NACC, BUT WILL INSIST NEW MEMBERS BE DRAWN FROM AMONG MODERATES (SUCH AS IVORY COAST, HE REMARKED).

4. IN CONCLUDING, CAMARA SAID US AND GAMBIAN POSITIONS ON KOREA "NOT FAR APART." WE UNDERSTAND POLICY SESSION WAS HELD AUG 6, AT WHICH CAMARA AND FO MIN N'JIE THRASHED OUT COMMON GOTG POSITION, NAMELY, AN APPROACH LARGELY FAVORING PRO-ROK TILT. HOWEVER, VP AND FO MIN ARE KNOWN TO HAVE PERSONAL DIFFERENCES RE KOREA (REF B PARA 4), AND CANNOT BE RULLED OUT THAT CAMARA, UNDER RADICAL PRESSURE, COULD BE PERSUADED ACCEPT MORE RADICAL NAM POSTURE FAVORED BY DPRK.
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